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Filed: 02/27/2004

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- (1) Transmittal Form;
- (2) Fee Transmittal; and
- (3) Response to Office Action and Amendment Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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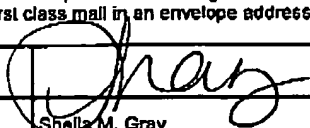
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☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
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Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

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Fee Description	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180
Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)
32 - 22 or HP = 10	25	250
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Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed April 7, 2006, Applicant respectfully requests that the following amendments be entered. Reconsideration is requested in view of the following amendments and the remarks below.

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

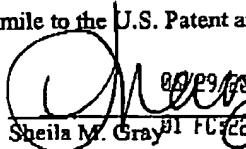
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